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Chickens and Eggs



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This report contains the results from the **Monthly Chickens and Eggs Survey**. Thanks to all who responded.

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April Egg Production Down 3 Percent

United States egg production totaled 9.13 billion during April 2020, down 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.93 billion table eggs, and 1.20 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.12 billion were broiler-type and 86.8 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during April 2020 totaled 393 million, down 3 percent from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,322 eggs, up slightly from April 2019.

Total layers in the United States on May 1, 2020 totaled 390 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 390 million layers consisted of 325 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.35 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2020, averaged 76.8 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from May 1, 2019.

Egg Production by Type — States and United States: April 2019 and 2020

State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	189.4	199.9	106	34.3	34.3	100	155.1	165.6	107
Georgia	426.8	426.1	100	236.4	231.5	98	190.4	194.6	102
South Carolina.	90.7	85.1	94	68.5	62.6	91	22.2	22.5	101
United States...	9,378.2	9,131.6	97	8,209.7	7,926.8	97	1,168.5	1,204.8	103

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Chickens and Eggs](#), May 2020

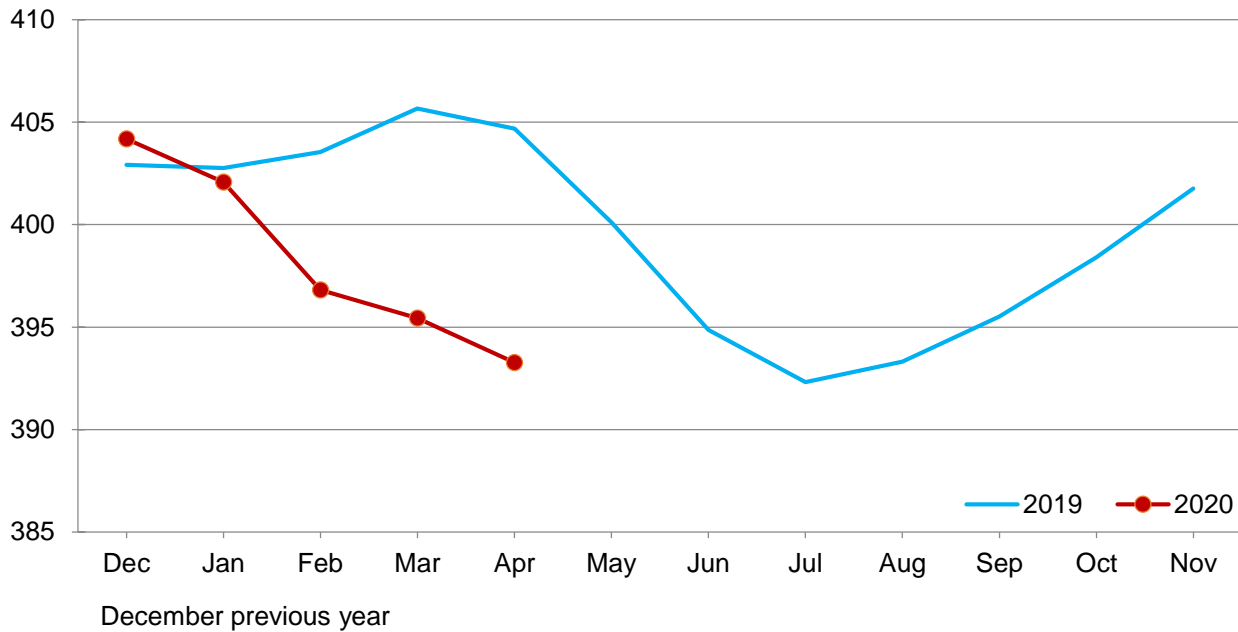
Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During April 2019 and 2020

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year	2019	2020	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	1,459	1,355	93	10,321	10,578	102	1,835	1,890	103
Georgia	10,067	9,567	95	20,581	20,231	98	2,074	2,106	102
South Carolina.	2,771	2,638	95	4,075	3,961	97	2,226	2,148	96
United States...	326,165	312,551	96	404,691	393,268	97	2,317	2,322	100

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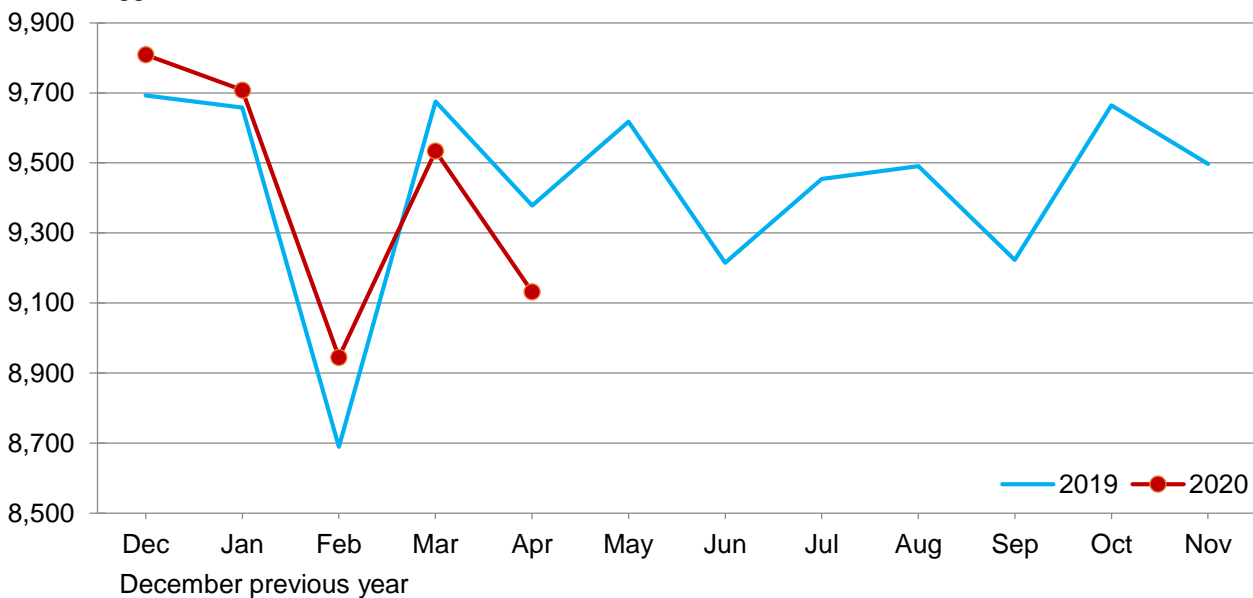
Average Layers During the Month — United States

Million layers



All Egg Production During the Month — United States

Million eggs



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